

Upper Deschutes RMP Recreation Group Meeting - 01/14/02

Attending:

Issue Team or PAC Members

Terry Eccles (OPRD)
David Hiller
Bill Dean (BLM)
Bill Fockler (OET/COSSA)
Tim Lillebo (PAC/ONRC)
Joani Duford (COMAC)
Bill Petersen (USFS-DNF)
Jim Angell (Trails/Access Fund)
Paul Thomasberg (IMBA)
Kent Gill (PAC)
Larry Zakrajesk (BOR)
Glen Ardt (ODFW)
Larry Miller (OPRD)
Greg Currie (BLM)

Visitors

Matt Jackman
Pat Harris (Pacific NW 4wd Association)
Richard Spray
Ray Harris (Deschutes County Four-Wheelers)

Agenda:

1. Introductions
 2. Development of Ground Rules
 3. Review of Resource Area Profile (AMS Chapter 3)
 4. Review of Issue Descriptions - changes/additions
 5. Data Gaps
 6. Areas of Integration with Other teams
 7. Scheduling/Evaluation
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1. Introductions

Visitors included several attendees from the Pacific NW 4wd Association, Deschutes County 4 Wheelers, and a new team representatives from International Mountain Bike Association (IMBA) - Paul Thomasberg, and from COCC and Bend Park and Rec

District - Dick Spray.

Additional copies of the AMS, Badlands WSA Map, Travel Management Areas Map, and the Central Oregon Public Lands Map were passed out to team members and visitors.

2. Ground Rules/Group Exercise

A. What makes a successful collaborative group? The team developed the following:

- Don't make assumptions (on person, process, or end result)
- Keep Open lines of communication
- Support each other to get views on the table and foster understanding
- Suspend your own bias
- Be respectful (whether or not you agree)
- Get to know the others personally
- Stay open minded
- Just plain listen
- Stay focused on the goals
- Respect of time
- Support each other's interests
- Be articulate but not too forceful
- Focus on overall goals, more than technical process
- Maintain balanced participation, don't dominate and draw others out

B. Ground Rules developed by Team:

1. Visitors:

- a. Give them copies of ground rules, provide 30 minutes at the end of each issue team meeting. Group may ask them to contribute earlier.

2. Media:

- b. For questions about the overall process, refer to Greg Currie (Rec Planner) or Mollie Chaudet (Planning Team Lead).
- c. Speak only for yourself, be cautious, be respectful of others, let Greg Currie know if you are fielding media questions - Greg will relay this to other team members.

3. Understand others reasons before being judgmental

4. Take ownership for each of our roles to make the group successful

5. Be sure real options are available within overall parameters to keep people involved.

3. Resource Area Profile

Greg gave an overview of the area profile, identifying sections of the AMS by page number that people should read.

4. Additions/Changes to Issue Descriptions

A. New or expanded issues from team:

1. Consider enhancing motorized recreation opportunities (e.g., new or improved trails, staging areas, etc.)
2. Consider management of non-traditional uses of bodies of water such as ponds and canals (rafting, kayaking...)
3. Mountain biking issue needs to consider the backcountry, more challenging type riding experiences (not all intensively managed, maintained and signed trails)
4. Plan needs to integrate with county's and city's trail systems
5. Create attractive trail systems in areas where we want to bring users will keep users out of areas where we don't want them
6. Look at trail opportunities in areas that have received historic use
7. Need to provide managed motorized recreation opportunities close to the urban core, can't keep pushing this use further out.
8. Include costs associated with each alternative - need to keep implementation in mind, allow to prioritize actions. Be realistic versus limiting ourselves

B. General Comments/Questions

1. Try to anticipate trends, advances in technology, and compatible uses
2. Separate incompatible uses
3. Recommend education as part of plan
4. Share trail uses in larger areas, identify how to do this through trail design and layout
5. Provide different trails within same area for different uses
6. Need to identify what makes a trail or area desirable for certain users
7. Design roads for recreation use: Wide roads for shared use, narrow roads for separate use
8. Many different roads/trails in a corridor can serve separate uses, but increases wildlife impact
9. Why are ACEC's established and what uses are allowed in them?
10. What are the sideboards, what can be considered? Some discussion about the Badlands WSA and the inventoried route system.
11. Greg Currie mentioned different areas or "blocks" of BLM land in the planning area, will provide maps identifying these to help the team communicate ideas in the future.

5. Data Gaps (not discussed due to lack of time)

6. Areas of Integration with Other teams (not discussed due to lack of time)

7. Scheduling/Evaluation

The recreation team decided to stay an hour longer after the general public meeting on January 29th at Eagle Crest to continue working. At that meeting the team will decide whether we need to move up the Feb. 21st Recreation Team meeting date (at Redmond Public Library) or not.